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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to school district transportation costs by
2 providing supplementary weighting for transported pupils
3 in certain school districts and including applicability
4 provisions.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 257.11, Code 2011, is amended by adding
2 the following new subsection:

3 NEW SUBSECTION. 7A. *School district per pupil transportation*
4 *cost.*

5 a. In order to provide additional funds for school districts
6 with district transportation costs per pupil in excess of the
7 state average transportation costs per pupil, as those terms
8 are defined in section 257.31, subsection 17, a supplementary
9 weighting plan for determining enrollment is adopted.

10 b. A supplementary weighting amount per pupil as determined
11 under paragraph "c" shall be assigned to each transported pupil
12 of a school district that meets the requirement of paragraph
13 "a".

14 c. The department of management shall calculate a
15 supplementary weighting amount per pupil for each school
16 district meeting the requirement of paragraph "a" to generate
17 an amount for the school district equal to the number of
18 transported pupils in the district multiplied by the difference
19 between the district transportation costs per pupil and the
20 state average transportation cost per pupil.

21 d. Eligibility for supplementary weighting under this
22 subsection shall not affect a school district's eligibility for
23 transportation assistance under section 257.31, subsection 17.

24 Sec. 2. APPLICABILITY. This Act applies to school budget
25 years beginning on or after July 1, 2013.

26 EXPLANATION

27 This bill establishes a supplementary weighting plan for
28 those school districts with district transportation costs per
29 pupil in excess of the state average transportation costs
30 per pupil. The bill requires the department of management
31 to calculate a supplementary weighting amount per pupil for
32 each school district meeting such a requirement to generate
33 an amount for the school district equal to the number of
34 transported pupils in the district multiplied by the difference
35 between the district transportation costs per pupil and the

1 state average transportation cost per pupil.

2 The bill provides that eligibility for supplementary
3 weighting under the bill does not affect a school district's
4 eligibility for transportation assistance from the school
5 budget review committee under Code section 257.31(17).

6 The bill applies to school budget years beginning on or after
7 July 1, 2013.